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PROGRESS REPORT

Staff Study on European Satellites of the USSR

The key importance of this area for psychological strategy is unquestioned.

National policy with respect to Eastern Europe has been under review for some time in the Department of State, where a draft paper is understood to have been prepared for early submission to the NSC.

Several PSB projects, completed or in preparation, bear directly on this area: D-31 (Strategic Concept), D-18a and 18a/1 (Escapees), D-24 (Stalin's passing), D-28 (Economic Security), and Doctrinal Warfare.

Overt propaganda guidance is provided by the Department of State's Special Guidance No. 105 (November 14, 1951). Projects [REDACTED] 25X1C
tions are currently being processed through the 10/5 Committee. Within the framework of existing national policy, operators reportedly consider above guidances adequate for present needs.

The possibility of developing new capabilities in relation to the area needs further study. This, together with the expected review of national policy, should form the chief basis for recommending whether or not to undertake additional PSB planning.

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